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It Taft does not concern himself any more with the Roosevelt-Garfield bargain over the Hawaii federal judgeship than he did over the Roosevelt deal as to the district attorneyship for Hawaii, there is not much chance of Woodruff being a judge here.

AMERICANS SETTLING IN CANADA.

The settlement of Canada by landseeking Americans keeps on. The same sort of people will settle any public lands where they can be shown a good chance of making a home and a living. "It is conservatively estimated that from 75,000 to 100,000 people will leave the United States during the year 1909 to settle in Canada, mostly in the western provinces," writes Consul Franklin D. Hale of Charlottetown, in a report to the Department of Commerce and Labor. "A very large per cent are well-to-do farmers, and the total amount of wealth which they will bring will be millions of dollars. It is reported that the many thousands of immigrants who came from the States in the past years at once established their strong personality, and allied themselves with the best and highest interests of the locality and country to which they had emigrated.

Since 1903 over 200,000 homesteads have been granted to settlers; the population of the Dominion has increased over 1,000,000; the total trade has increased \$178,000,000; the revenue has increased \$30,000,000; the product of grain in the three great western agricultural provinces has shown an increase of nearly 100,000,000 bushels."

MISINFORMATION ABOUT HAWAII.

During the discussion of sugar tariff in the Senate Senator Clay of Georgia made a long speech in the course of which he undertook to give some information about Hawaii. Here is an extract from his speech:

"In 1898 the Hawaiian Islands produced 499,766,798 pounds of sugar, which came into this country free of duty; in 1899, 462,299,880 pounds; in 1900, 504,713,105 pounds; in 1901, 960,800,832 pounds; in 1902, 720,553,357 pounds; in 1903, 774,825,420 pounds; in 1904, 763,492,092 pounds; in 1905, 832,721,387 pounds; in 1906, 746,602,637 pounds; in 1907, 821,014,811 pounds; in 1908, 1,077,570,637 pounds; from July 1 to December 31, 1908, 383,448,790 pounds. Most of this sugar was produced by the American sugar refineries. These refineries purchased plantations in the Hawaiian Islands and produced sugar at less than 2 cents per pound. If this sugar had paid a tariff duty of 1.08 1-2 the revenue to the United States would have been \$132,014,236."

The figures are not anywhere nearly correct. Where can the Senator have got them? Take the last year mentioned. Instead of 383,448,790 pounds, Hawaii's production that year was something over a billion pounds, and the figures are easily available in many places. For further enlightenment of his colleagues, Senator Clay said:

"The sugar refineries of the United States recognized that sugar could be produced in those islands cheaper than anywhere else in the world, and that sugar had no tariff duty to pay coming from Hawaii and a reduced duty to pay coming from Cuba. The sugar trust has taken advantage of these conditions and has bought most of the sugar lands in Hawaii and actually controls the production of sugar in those countries at a cost of 2 cents per pound, and the cost of refining ranges from three-eighths to five-eighths of a cent per pound. I am informed that of late years the cost of refining has been reduced to one-fourth of a cent per pound; consequently the sugar refineries in this country owning plantations in the Hawaiian Islands produce their raw sugar at about 2 cents per pound."

After this, it is not surprising that the real Senate leaders did not pay much attention to Clay's argument. The men in charge of the tariff bill simply allowed most of it to pass. Senator Smoot, however, who is the buffer for the finance committee which reported the tariff bill, was responsible for the following bit of dialogue:

"Mr. SMOOT. In relation to the sugar trust owning sugar lands in Hawaii, does the Senator know that they own one acre of land there?"

"Mr. CLAY. Mr. Spreckels, the old gentleman, originally did own those lands; but the information I have here, and which I am going to put in the Record before I get through, is that since his death that interest has been sold out."

"Mr. SMOOT. Mr. Spreckels is competing in this country in refining sugar with the sugar trust, and the sugar trust, I am told, does not own an acre of land in Hawaii."

On Friday last this paper announced that the Ewa Japanese would be back at work on Monday and that the Waialua strikers would see the futility of their efforts and would return to work within a day or two. Word from the country last night shows the confirmation of the news published on Friday, news that our contemporary, the Star, scouted as unreliable and worthless.—Advertiser.

The Advertiser has made so many predictions that there is nothing the Japs could do without fulfilling some of 'em. This particular prediction last Friday, would have been a better hit but for the fact that the Advertiser spoiled it yesterday by saying "On Tuesday the striking laborers of Ewa and Waialua are to leave the plantations." As for the "news" of last Friday, the men decided to work this morning at a meeting which, according to this morning's Advertiser, was held yesterday afternoon.

Eleven persons have been released from the Leper Settlement after examinations made at their own request, it appearing that they are not now afflicted with leprosy. Within a couple of days of their release, five of the eleven put in applications to go back as kokuas. The

introducers of the resolutions under which these examinations were made may not have known it, but they have probably punctured the old leper settlement issue in local politics.

THOSE KAUAI LIQUOR LICENSES.

The Garden Island publishes an extract from The Star's editorial of last week regarding liquor licenses on Kauai, with the following comment:

"SEVENTY-FIVE retail and EIGHTEEN or TWENTY wholesale liquor licenses from Uncle Sam, while only Five Wholesale licenses are granted by the local Board of Commissioners and no retail licenses at all, is a matter that should be looked into very carefully if it is TRUE.

"Such however is the information furnished by the Star. It may be that the Star is not good authority in this instance and before we advocate a very extended investigation into it, WE Respectfully ask the STAR for its AUTHORITY for the statement.

"There is no doubt that liquor is sometimes sold by those other than licensed dealers on Kauai, as well as every other place where law-breakers are to be found; but to say that on this Island alone that SEVENTY-FIVE AND UPWARDS different places are licensed by Uncle Sam to sell liquor, is equivalent to saying that liquor is illegally sold at that many different places.

"We have not interviewed the inspector of Kauai upon the subject, but we presume that he will investigate relative to the TRUTH in the report in the STAR."

We are glad to furnish authority for the statements made, which we think are under, rather than over, the truth. Let the Garden Island consult the last annual report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. The report covering the present year is not out yet, but from all the information obtainable as to the conditions on Kauai it is a safe prediction that it will show more licenses rather than less. The figures so far given by The Star can be practically verified in the last federal report.

OPPOSITION TO WOODRUFF FOR FEDERAL JUDGE

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famous for having expounded the doctrine that any government official is empowered to do anything which he is not specifically forbidden to do by the federal statutes. It was on such advice from Woodruff that the Forest Service reached out and undertook to do by regulation what any other department would not have dared do without sanction of law.

When President Roosevelt made Mr. Garfield Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Pinchot secured the appointment of Woodruff as Assistant Attorney General for the Interior Department—this officer being the chief legal advisor of the Secretary of the Interior. In that office Mr. Woodruff remained only as long as Secretary Garfield, and then he resigned. It was a wise and timely resignation, however, for it is well known in official circles in Washington that on questions of law, and particularly public land law, there is a vast difference between the interpretation of the statutes by George W. Woodruff, and the interpretation by R. A. Ballinger. Naturally a man as well versed in law as Secretary Ballinger would not desire as legal advisor a man whose ideas were at such striking variance with his own.

The Judiciary Committee, that has charge of Woodruff's nomination, has gone carefully into the record of Mr. Woodruff, and in addition to the foregoing facts, has found that Mr. Woodruff, since his admission to the bar, has had no court practice. Members of that committee, all of them experienced lawyers, hold the antiquated notion that no lawyer is competent to sit upon the bench unless he has had considerable experience in court. In view of these facts, their verdict is apparently in accordance with the evidence, and in the near future President Taft will be confronted with the facts, in the expectation that he will name another man. The understanding is that Woodruff's appointment was merely a fulfillment of a promise made by President Roosevelt to Messrs. Garfield and Pinchot.

It is also reported that the people of Hawaii are anything but pleased with the appointment of Woodruff, and their protest is likely to be presented along with the finding of the Judiciary committee.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27.—For the past week rumors have been current that President Taft would withdraw the nomination of George W. Woodruff as United States District Judge for Hawaii. On Monday last this rumor was apparently so well authenticated that a number of newspapers printed the statement that the nomination had been withdrawn. Inquiry at the White House and of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary disclosed the fact that the newspaper publications in the matter were incorrect. The situation apparently is this. The chairman and a number of the members of the Senate committee on the Judiciary are of the opinion that Mr. Woodruff does not possess the necessary legal qualifications to acceptably fill the position of United States Judge for Hawaii where many intricate questions of international, maritime and commercial law are brought before the federal courts for settlement. The Judiciary committee has been making diligent inquiry into Mr. Woodruff's professional record, and find that he had had very little practical experience as an actual practitioner or pleader in the courts. In addition to this, the members of the Judiciary Committee do not look upon Mr. Woodruff's legal record while he was serving as Assistant Attorney General for the Department of the Interior with much favor. Many of his opinions are regarded by them as being lacking of legal exactness, and, in the minds of the members of

the committee, his record in the Interior Department indicated that he was a lawyer of very mediocre ability. The committee has absolutely nothing to criticize in Mr. Woodruff's personality as a man. He is an affable gentleman, well liked by those associated with him, and if his legal experience and ability came up to the requirements of what the committee deems a United States judge should possess, he would be favorably recommended for confirmation. The views of the committee have been called to the attention of President Taft, and it is known that a withdrawal of the nomination is being seriously considered.

Within the past two weeks telegraphic recommendations have been received from Honolulu favoring the appointment of a local attorney, and, in addition, protests have come to the Judiciary committee against the appointment of an outside candidate. These communications undoubtedly will have weight with the President and with the committee in determining the matter and possibly before this letter is published a new nomination will have been made.

Delegates to the Hawaiian Evangelical meeting to the number of thirty took part in the religious services yesterday afternoon at the Oahu prison, which was led by C. J. Day and J. M. Martin. Judge Kanihoku of Maui, and, in the minds of the members of

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